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In re application of:  
Stephen H. Houchen                      **DECISION ON PETITION**  
Serial No.: 09/607,593  
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For: **PROTOCOL FOR AUTOMATIC TRAFFIC PROVISIONING IN  
4-FIBER BLSR SONET**

This is a decision on the petition received on July 5, 2002, to withdraw the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

On January 28, 2003, the office received the requested docketing evidence to complete the petition.

The petition is hereby GRANTED.

A new Notice to File Missing Parts is enclosed with this Decision setting forth a new response period of two months from the date of the notice.

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